

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.
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SB 115

State of Arkansas
81st General Assembly

A Bill
ACT 235 OF 1997
Regular Session, 1997
SENATE BILL 115

By: Senators Russ, Beebe, Hoofman, Walters, Bradford, Dowd, Canada, Hopkins, Webb, Bell, Ross, Scott, and
Fitch

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 81 OF TITLE 20 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO AUTHORIZE THE
ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE AN ARKANSAS
STATE VETERANS CEMETERY SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

"ARKANSAS STATE VETERANS CEMETERY SYSTEM."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 81 of Title 20 of the Arkansas Code is amended by inserting an additional section at the end
thereof to read as follows:

"20-81-112.

- (a) The Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs is authorized to establish and maintain an Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery System to serve the veterans, spouses and eligible dependents of the veterans of Arkansas.
- (b) The Department of Veterans Affairs is authorized to employ such staff to operate this cemetery system as it deems appropriate and as may be authorized by biennial appropriation.
- (c) The Department of Veterans Affairs shall:
 - (1) Promulgate appropriate guidelines for determining eligibility for burial.
 - (2) Establish such accounts as are necessary to the orderly administration of the state veterans cemetery system.
 - (3) Develop plans and programs which will provide for initial establishment of sites to meet greatest need, and provide for their orderly expansion.
 - (4) Make such applications to Federal agencies, as the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and receive such Federal funding as is available, to establish and operate this cemetery system."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

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